

August 8, 2021
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE

Currently, Daily Mass is 8:15am:
Saturday 5:00pm / Sunday 9:00am and 10:30am



Starting **September 12th** Mass is:
Saturday 5:00pm / Sunday 9:00am,
10:30am, 12Noon

Starting **September 13th**, daily Mass is 8:00am

SEPTEMBER 12th @ 12 Noon
JOIN US FOR A PICNIC TO WELCOME
& GET TO KNOW FR. CHRIS



In July, Fr. Chris hit the ground running. It's time to slow things down a little & visit with parishioners. Please come and join us for a picnic on Sunday, September 12th @ 12noon. We look forward to seeing you.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 7

5pm James J. Kelly; Rose Mary Cella

SUNDAY 8

9am Robert Benedict; Mom & Dad

10:30 Dec mem of Fini family;
Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Fini

MONDAY 9

8:15 James Bourne; Rich & Mary Collins

TUESDAY 10

8:15 Dec mem of Zani; Carbonara family

WEDNESDAY 11

8:15 Lisa Gavilanez; Green family

THURSDAY 12

8:15 Fr Carl Johnson; Martha & Robert Burns

FRIDAY 13

8:15 Alfonso Mastrantoni; Lucy DePaulis

SATURDAY 14

8:15 Anne Noone; Rich & Mary Collins

10am Maurice & Connie Scandurra;
Donna De Stafeno & family

5pm Dec mem of Bianchi & Cuneo family;
Rose Mary Cella

SUNDAY 15

9am Mary McCormick; Richard McCormick

10:30 Patty Joe Regan; Sadlier family



Dear St. Columba Family,

It is wise advice that whenever someone takes over in a new leadership position, they should wait at least six months to a year before anything significant is changed. I agree with this and certainly think it is important. There are times, however, when simply out of necessity certain elements need to be adjusted. Here this impacts the daily Mass schedule. Currently St. Columba has Mass at 8:15 while St. Mary's is at 8:30. While we are blest to have three priests serving both parishes there is a concern about illness or unforeseen circumstances that may only allow one of us to be available. This last year has taught us that we simply do not know how things will be from one day to the next. As a result, the daily Mass times have to allow one priest to be in both places should such unforeseen situations arise. **So, starting on Monday September 13th the daily Mass times will be changed. At St. Columba, Mass will be at 8:00 and at St. Mary's Mass will be at 9:00.** Already over the last month I have had to rely on my brother priests in the area to cover a Mass a few times; this would become a very challenging situation when the summer ends and we all become busier in our parishes.

I am sorry to have to change the schedule so quickly but this is simply to ensure that both parishes have consistent access to daily Mass. On a more positive note starting the weekend of Sep. 11-12 the Sunday noon Mass at St. Columba will return from its usual summer hiatus while the 6 PM Sunday Mass at St. Mary's will return since it was postponed due to COVID. Let me again reiterate how grateful I am to so many of you who have offered words of encouragement and support. Above all I am grateful for your prayers. I am certainly aware that the role of being pastor of two parishes affects not only me but all of you as well so I continue to ask for your patience as we adjust to this new reality together.

With My Prayers,
Fr. Chris

TWO GRAND CLUB WINNERS

Winners for this week are:
126 Sue Anne Vogelsberg and 23 Eileen & Diane Bailey

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 8637 RECEIVES
STAR COUNCIL AWARD**

St Columba Church Knights of Columbus Council 8637 has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils.



The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities.

As Grand Knight I would like to congratulate and express gratitude to all our members for their hard work and commitment to this worthy organization. During the pandemic it's been very difficult for our members to do the charitable work that we are accustomed to. At this time, we focused our resources in and around Saint Columba Church. We purchased hydro static sprayers to disinfect the church and the pews. We donated hand sanitizer and other disinfectants to keep all touch point surfaces clean for our parishioners. Our members volunteered and disinfecting all pews after every mass for the last 12 months. I would like to say thank you to all for this commitment to our Church.

Some of the programs we participate in are coats for kids, Donation of wheelchairs, donations to our local food bank and donations towards religious education. We also supported a local organization Beautiful People in Warwick with trophies for their athletes. They coordinate sporting events for people with intellectual disabilities. We also supported Cultivating Health and Justice Initiative, a prostate cancer awareness group, Beacon of Light which help young pregnant women with support & services and two new Not-For-Profit organizations. Most importantly we support right to life all around the world.

The Chester Knights of Columbus wish to continue helping and supporting our community, but we can't do it without good Catholic men in our ranks. Please consider joining our council 8637 and become a member of the Knights of Columbus.

For information on joining the Knights of Columbus contact local Membership Director **Larry Rosen 917-747-0558** ljrosen2016@aol.com.

FAITH FIRST EARLY LEARNING CENTER @ ST COLUMBA
Nursery / Pre - School - Registration is ongoing.
Offering AM & PM classes

This faith-based program is for 3 & 4-year-old children. Classes will have a certified teacher and an aide.
Contact: Susan Munks, Director of Religious Education; 845 469-9503; stcolumbareligion@gmail.com

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY
FROM OUR COMMUNITY IN THE MILITARY,
BOTH HERE AND ABROAD
SAINT MICHAEL . . . PLEASE KEEP THEM SAFE.**

Siobhan Higgins, Vincent, Pungello, James Davis Jr., Rocco Church, Tyler Correa, Alex Davis, Mark Gonzalez, Michael Grasso, Erin Johnson, Alex Kaczor, Kayla Marion Katt, Mark Lawlor, Lauren Lucena, Matthew Mackay, Draven Mena, Ryan Michaels, Evan Pacer, Michael Polanski, Cory Seipp, Josh Truman



PLEASE PRAY FOR: Pamela Rosen, Natacha Porchette, Michael Burke, Fr. Tom Lynch, Bennet Berry, Robert Palumbo, JoAnn Traina, Anthony Pastore, Thelma Figueroa, Carmen Tumbaga, Tom Jimenez, Olivia Picnicky, Mary Luciana, Janet Begnoche, Moquete, Christianna Scrobe, Maritza Montes, John Mattera, Connie Yacenda, Carmen Almirol, Daria Bekersky, Katie Rogan, Joan Bonomi, Teresa Patruno, Mila Werlitz, Andrew Upson, James Fox, Nancy Rhodes Mayo, Justin Holland, Patrick Finley, Marie Tobin, Jon Sezack, Ruth Rivera, Vilma Rosario, John Schiano Jr, Claire Scunziano, Sean Devlin, Robert Scunziano, Brenden Hedding, Lorraine Kalafut, Gabe Fritz, Laura Favorule, Susan Zikoyanis, Mary Ackerman, Valerie Moore, Sylvia Muccio, Joe Kennedy, Charles Youngberg, Alice Verlizzo, Cecilia Rivera, Allison Florio, Vinnie Greco, Donna Fagan, Nikita Zanichkowsky, Karlene Gray, Rosa Maria Ramos, Ricky Calderin, Bob Gatt, Emily Scrobe, Marian McDonald

**IN JULY, SANCTUARY LIGHTS
ARE BURNING IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

Red: **Lawrence Schall**; family
White: **Dec mem of Bailey & Mascarelli family**;
Eileen & Diane Bailey
Blessed Sacrament: **Marion Hornicek**; family

MEMORIALS & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

ALTAR CANDLES are burning in loving memory:
Angelina & John Fratto; req: daughter, Patricia
HOST & WINE are dedicated this week in loving memory:
Marion Hornicek; req: Sue Anne & Eric Vogelsberg
BLUE VIGIL LIGHT is burning this week in loving memory:
Josephine Tuzio; req: granddaughter, Jeannie